

# PARKE COUNTY, INDIANA

## *Highlights*



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## Introduction

The first edition of the *County Highlights* was published in 1993. Lillian Miles, then Labor Market Analyst for the Gary Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area, originated the idea for this descriptive area publication.

*Highlights* are now a web publication and, as a result, the data can be updated throughout the year, not just on an annual basis. These *Highlights* are available in easy-to-use web format but are also printable and e-mailable and provide a snapshot of critical population and workforce statistics for each of Indiana’s 92 counties, 11 Economic Growth Regions, and the State of Indiana.

Each *Highlights* includes an overview of the demographics and workforce of an area, from its population to the size of its labor force and the industry mix of jobs and wages.

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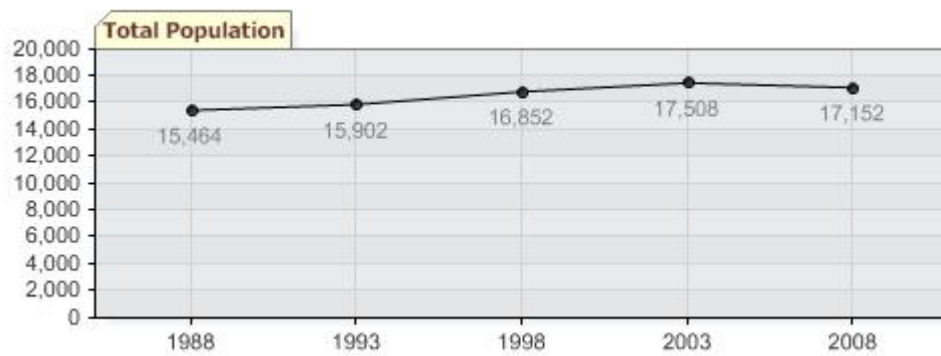
## Location

Parke County is located in west central Indiana. The county is bordered on the south by Vigo County and Clay County. Putnam County and Montgomery County are adjacent to Parke County on the east, Fountain County to the north, and Vermillion County to the west. Parke County is one of the six counties located in the area designated by the Indiana Department of Workforce Development as Economic Growth Region 7.

## Population

A region's economy thrives or dives because of the people who choose to live there. That choice may occur by being born there and desiring to stay, or a more deliberate one of choosing to relocate from somewhere else. Monitoring change in the size and movement of population is an important barometer of well-being. Some of us monitor these changes as an insect might gauge the shifting sands while most don't pay much attention. But the barometer is a good metaphor for population change since it can presage more notable events, such as lackluster business attraction due to lack of workers.

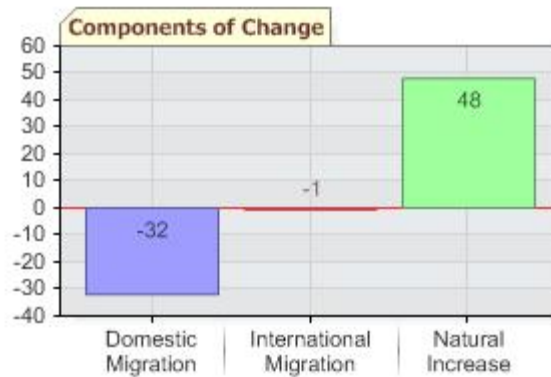
Population Over Time					
	1988	1993	1998	2003	2008
Total Population	15,464	15,902	16,852	17,508	17,152
Change Since 1988		438	1,388	2,044	1,688
Pct. Change Since 1988		2.8%	9.0%	13.2%	10.9%



Source: US Census Bureau

### Components of Population Change 2007 to 2008

	Number
Net Domestic Migration	-32
International Migration	-1
Natural Increase (births minus deaths)	48
Births	198
Deaths	150



Source: US Census Bureau

### Population Estimates by Age in 2007

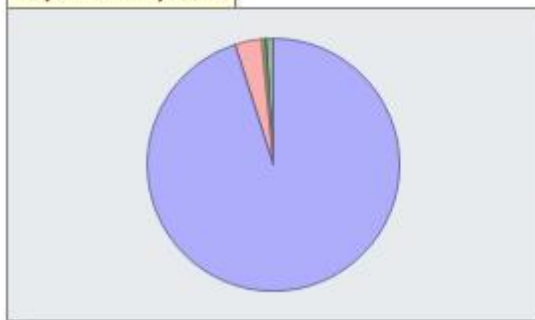
	Number	Pct. Dist
Preschool	902	5.3%
School Age	2,653	15.5%
College Age	1,393	8.1%
Young Adult	4,883	28.5%
Older Adult	4,801	28.0%
Older (65 plus)	2,537	14.8%

Source: US Census Bureau

### Population Estimates by Race and Hispanic Origin in 2007

	Number	Pct. Dist
American Ind. or Alaskan Native Alone	51	0.3%
Asian Alone	36	0.2%
Black Alone	585	3.4%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pac. Isl. Alone	5	0.0%
White Alone	16,322	95.1%
Two or More Race Groups	170	1.0%

Population by Race



95.14 %	White
3.41 %	Black
0.30 %	Am. Ind or Alaskan Native
0.21 %	Asian
0.03 %	Hawaiian and Pac. Isl
0.99 %	Two or More

## Hispanic or Latino

Non-Hispanic or Latino	17,029	99.3%
Hispanic or Latino	140	0.8%

Source: US Census Bureau

## Households in 2000

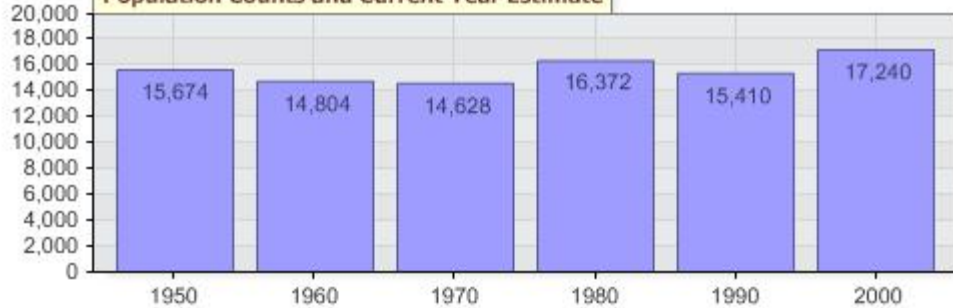
	Number	Pct. Dist
<b>Total Households</b>	6,415	100.0%
Family Households	4,627	72.1%
Married with Children	1,484	23.1%
Married without Children	2,359	36.8%
Single Parents	474	7.4%
Other	310	4.8%
Non-family Households	1,788	27.9%
Living Alone	1,549	24.1%
<b>Average Household Size</b>	2.68	
<b>Average Family Household Size</b>	3.72	

Source: US Census Bureau

## Population Counts by Decade and Current Year Estimate

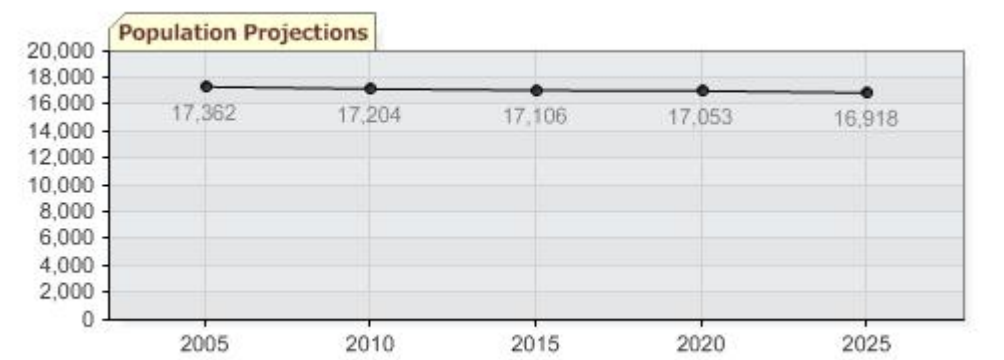
	Population	Numerical Chg.	Pct. Chg.
1950	15,674	NA	NA
1960	14,804	-870	-5.6%
1970	14,628	-176	-1.2%
1980	16,372	1,744	11.9%
1990	15,410	-962	-5.9%
April 2000	17,240	1,830	11.9%
2007	N/A	N/A	N/A

Population Counts and Current Year Estimate





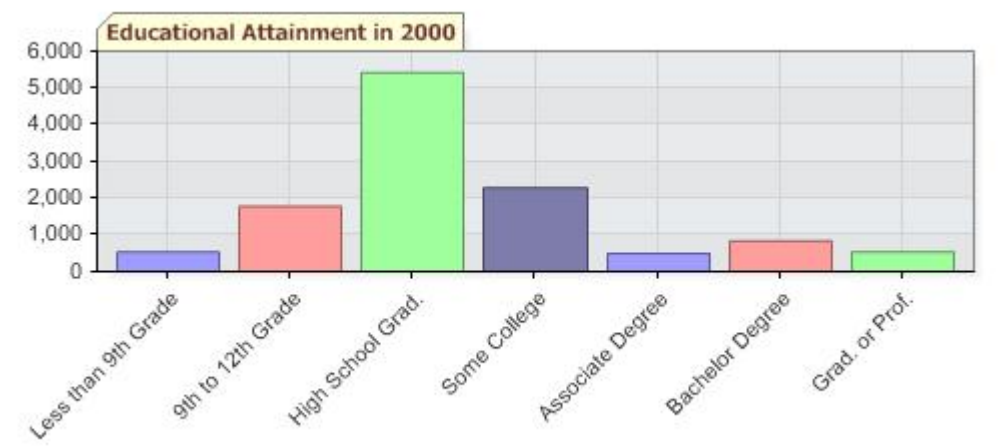
Population Projections					
	2005	2010	2015	2020	2025
Population Projections	17,362	17,204	17,106	17,053	16,918
Change Since 2005		-158	-256	-309	-444
Pct. Change Since 2005		-0.9%	-1.5%	-1.8%	-2.6%



## Education

The level of education of our workforce is a critical factor for economic and community development. It often provides insight into the skill levels of a local area. The metrics provided here focus on the attainment of degrees and high school graduates' higher education intent. The type of work (occupations) residents perform can also assist in understanding skill levels.

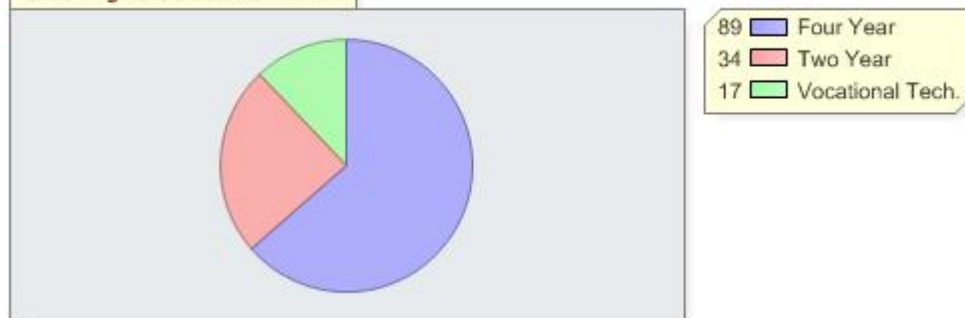
Educational Attainment				
	1970	1980	1990	2000
Total Population 25 and Older	8,569	9,989	10,217	11,891
Less than 9th Grade	2,398	1,422	772	533
9th to 12th, No Diploma	1,535	1,853	1,605	1,781
High School Graduate (incl. equiv.)	3,533	5,030	4,939	5,425
Some College, No Degree			1,408	2,280
Associate Degree			459	495
Bachelors Degree			593	833
Graduate or Professional Degree			441	544



## High School Graduates Going on to Higher Education

	2004	2005	2006	2007
<b>Total Graduates</b>	169	175	175	174
<b>Total to Higher Education</b>	117	143	150	140
<b>Four-Year Institution</b>	67	80	79	89
<b>Two-Year Institution</b>	39	52	59	34
<b>Vocational/Tech.</b>	11	11	12	17
<b>Military</b>	7	6	6	6

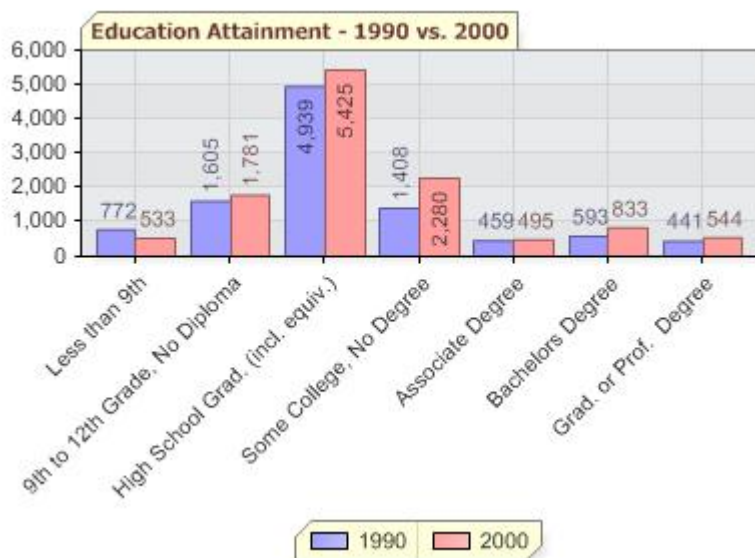
2007 Higher Education Intent



Source: Indiana Department of Education

## Educational Attainment in 1990 and 2000

	1990	Pct. of Pop. 25+	2000	Pct. of Pop. 25+
<b>Total Population 25+</b>	10,217	100.0%	11,891	100.0%
Less than 9th Grade	772	7.6%	533	4.5%
9th to 12th Grade, No Diploma	1,605	15.7%	1,781	15.0%
High School Graduate (incl. equivalency)	4,939	48.3%	5,425	45.6%
Some College, No Degree	1,408	13.8%	2,280	19.2%
Associate Degree	459	4.5%	495	4.2%
Bachelors Degree	593	5.8%	833	7.0%
Graduate or Professional Degree	441	4.3%	544	4.6%

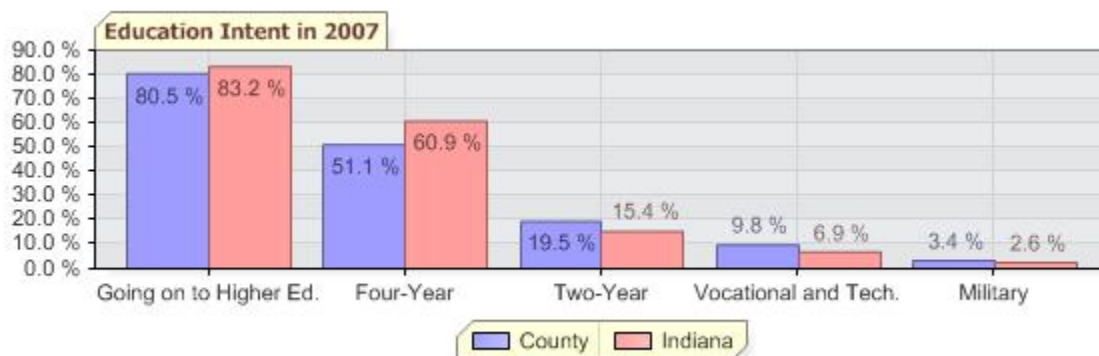


Source: U.S. Census Bureau

## High School Graduates Higher Education Intent

	2007 Pct. Dist.	Indiana Pct. Dist.

<b>Graduates</b>	100.0%	100.0%
Total Going on to Higher Education	80.5%	83.2%
Four-Year Institution	51.1%	60.9%
Two-Year Institution	19.5%	15.4%
Vocational and Tech.	9.8%	6.9%
Military	3.4%	2.6%



Source: Indiana Department of Education

## Commuting

In Indiana, most workers commute to a job, either within their home county or beyond. Patterns of commuting are significant in showing the labor supply. The county *labor force* represents workers who reside in the county no matter where they work. Two types of commuting patterns are provided here - the Census 2000 *benchmark* and the annual data tabulated from state income tax returns that can help provide a more current view.

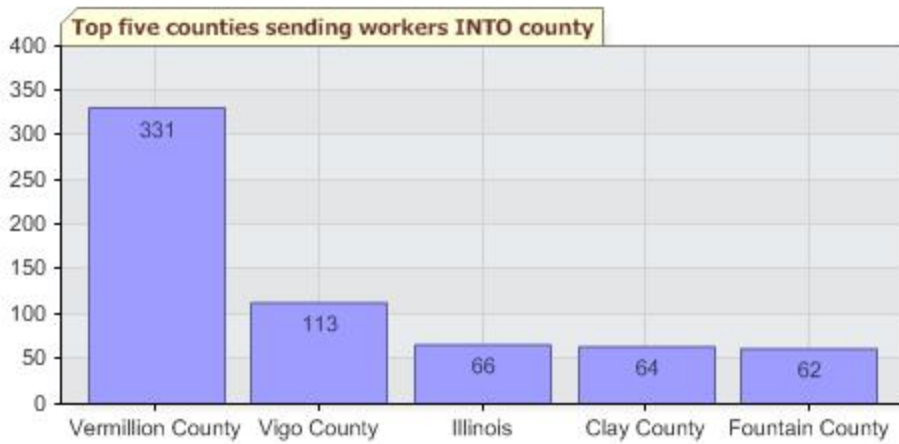
### Commuting Data, 2007

	Number
Number of tax filers who live in county and work	10,339
Number of tax filers who work in the county	7,720
Number of tax filers who live in county and work in county	6,841
Number of tax filers who live out of the county and work in county	879

Source: Indiana Department of Revenue

### Commuting Patterns: Top five counties sending workers INTO county, 2007

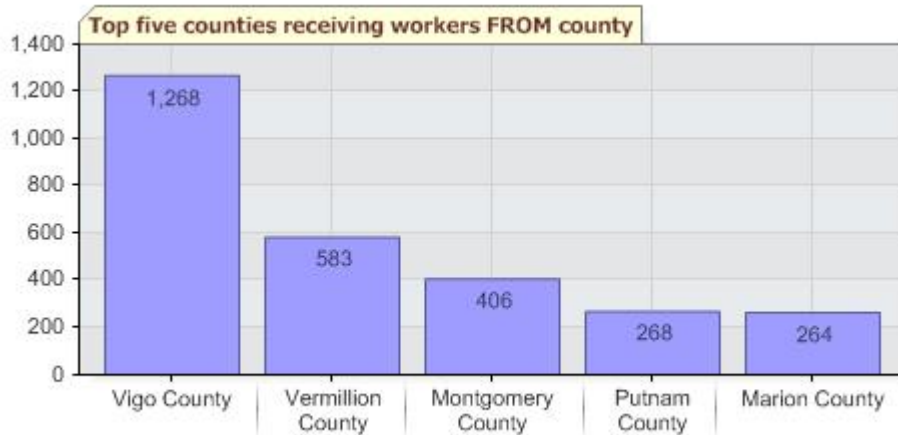
County	Number	Pct. Five County Total
Vermillion County	331	50.8%
Vigo County	113	17.4%
Illinois	66	10.1%
Clay County	64	9.8%
Fountain County	62	8.3%



Source: Indiana Department of Revenue

### Commuting Patterns: Top five counties receiving workers FROM county, 2007

County	Number	Pct. Five County Total
Vigo County	1,268	45.5%
Vermillion County	583	20.9%
Montgomery County	406	14.6%
Putnam County	268	9.6%
Marion County	264	9.5%



Source: Indiana Department of Revenue

### Travel To Work in 2000

	Number	Pct. Dist
<b>Total Workers Age 16 and Over</b>	7,318	100.0%
Travel To Work	6,984	95.4%
Car, Truck, or Van	6,690	91.4%
Traveled Alone	5,786	79.1%
Carpooled	904	12.4%
Used Public Transportation	11	0.2%
Motorcycle, Bicycle, Walked, Other	283	3.9%
Worked At Home	334	4.6%
<b>Average Travel Time (Minutes)</b>	27.5	
<b>Average Travel Time using Public Transportation (Minutes)</b>	60.0	

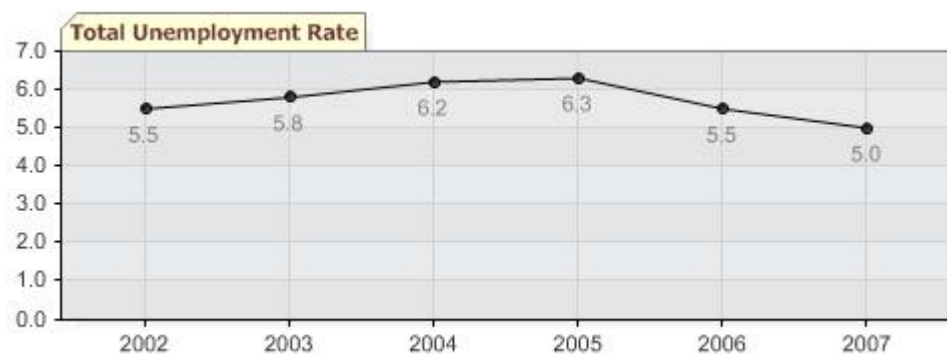


# Labor Force

An area's labor force provides insight on the availability factor and is residence-based - that is, the people are working or seeking work and reside in the particular county or region.

## Annual Labor Force Estimates in 2007

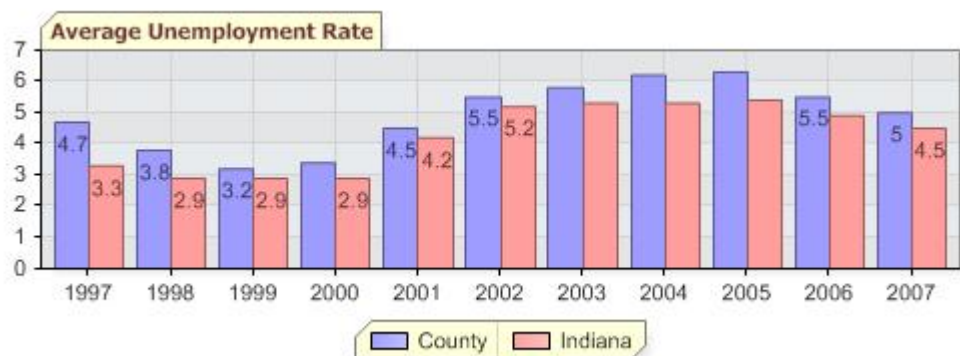
	Number	Pct. Chg. from 2000
<b>Labor Force</b>	8,058	-0.0%
<b>Employed</b>	7,658	-1.7%
<b>Unemployed</b>	400	46.5%
<b>Rate</b>	5.0	47.1%



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

## Labor Force Estimates

	Labor Force	Emp.	Unemp.	Cnty. Rate	State Rate
<b>1997</b>	7,385	7,035	350	4.7	3.3
<b>1998</b>	7,760	7,466	294	3.8	2.9
<b>1999</b>	7,814	7,563	251	3.2	2.9
<b>2000</b>	8,061	7,788	273	3.4	2.9
<b>2001</b>	8,073	7,708	365	4.5	4.2
<b>2002</b>	8,030	7,592	438	5.5	5.2
<b>2003</b>	8,006	7,543	463	5.8	5.3
<b>2004</b>	8,002	7,508	494	6.2	5.3
<b>2005</b>	8,097	7,584	513	6.3	5.4
<b>2006</b>	7,939	7,506	433	5.5	4.9
<b>2007</b>	8,058	7,658	400	5.0	4.5



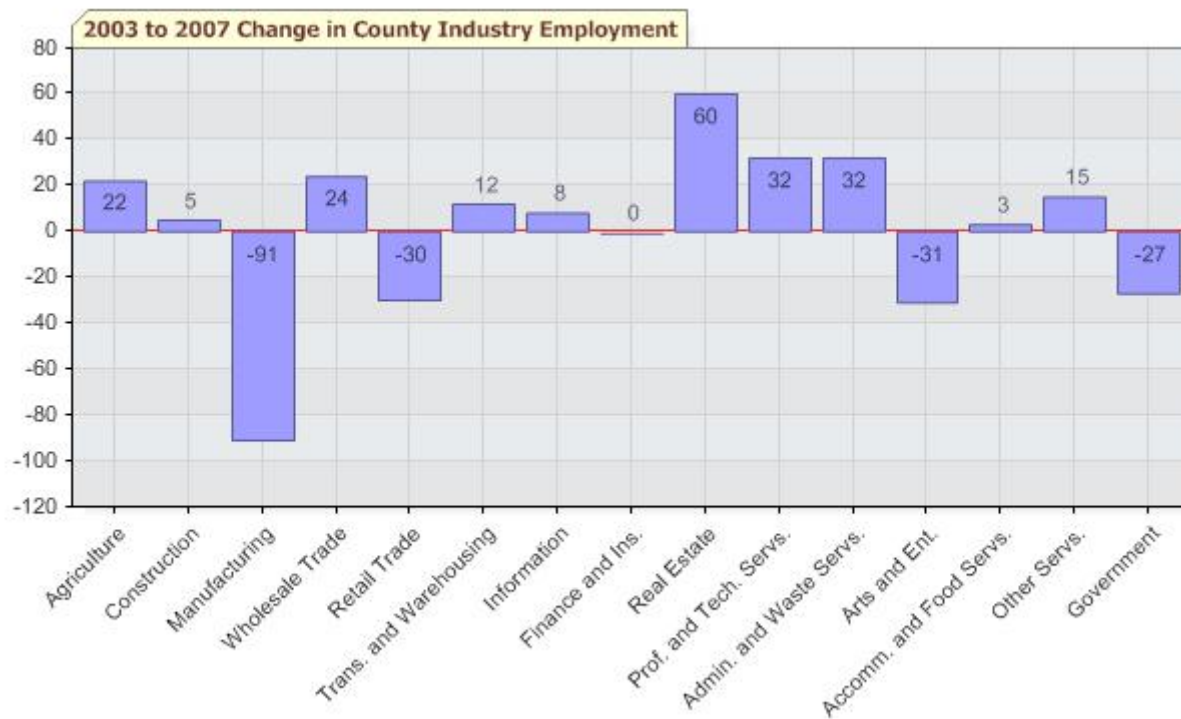
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# Employment

Industry employment is tabulated as jobs by place-of-work. Keep in mind that people may hold multiple jobs and that each job is counted by its industry.

## Average Employment by Sector

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	Change 2003-2007	% Change 2003-2007
<b>Total Employment</b>	3,392	3,365	3,362	3,331	3,470	78	2.30%
<b>Total Private Employment</b>	2,117	2,057	2,091	2,087	2,222	105	4.96%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, Hunt	24	20	24	43	46	22	91.67%
Mining	D	D	D	D	D	N/A	N/A
Construction	76	93	99	82	81	5	6.58%
Manufacturing	578	485	446	463	487	-91	-15.74%
Wholesale Trade	62	58	54	53	86	24	38.71%
Retail Trade	418	409	401	388	388	-30	-7.18%
Transport. and Warehousing	39	41	40	46	51	12	30.77%
Utilities	D	D	D	D	D	N/A	N/A
Information	22	23	28	26	30	8	36.36%
Finance and Insurance	91	93	94	92	91	0	0.00%
Real Estate, Rental, Leasing	39	56	69	73	99	60	153.85%
Professional and Tech. Servs.	35	34	38	31	67	32	91.43%
Mgmt. of Companies	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A
Admin. and Waste Services	23	17	32	39	55	32	139.13%
Educational Services	D	D	D	D	D	N/A	N/A
Health Care and Social Assistance	339	354	364	380	382	N/A	N/A
Arts, Entertain., and Recreation	75	71	72	51	44	-31	-41.33%
Accommodation and Food Service	172	172	175	175	175	3	1.74%
Other Services	74	85	108	94	89	15	20.27%
<b>Federal, State, &amp; Local Govt.</b>	1,275	1,308	1,271	1,244	1,248	-27	-2.12%

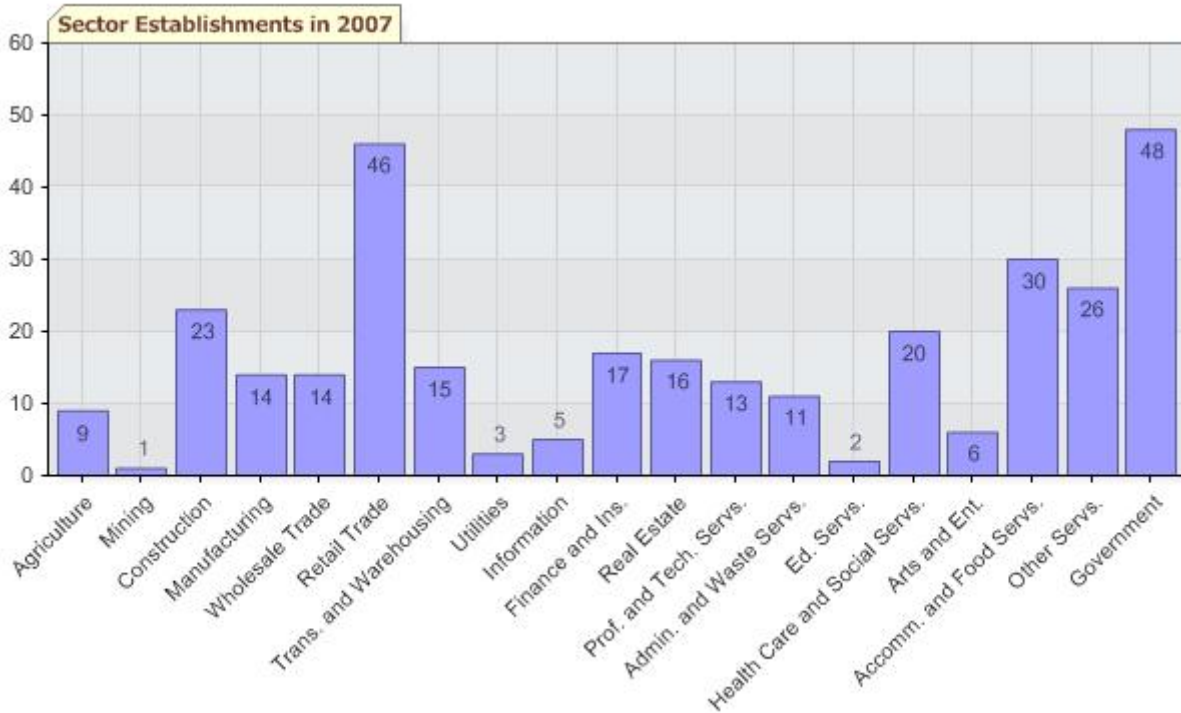


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## Establishments by Sector

Change % Change

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2003-2007	2003-2007
<b>Total Establishments</b>	293	301	300	306	318	25	8.53%
<b>Total Private Establishments</b>	251	257	255	261	270	19	7.57%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, Hunt	7	7	8	9	9	2	28.57%
Mining	D	D	D	D	D	N/A	N/A
Construction	19	22	21	22	23	4	21.05%
Manufacturing	18	17	15	13	14	-4	-22.22%
Wholesale Trade	10	13	13	13	14	4	40.00%
Retail Trade	45	44	45	47	46	1	2.22%
Transport. and Warehousing	16	16	14	14	15	-1	-6.25%
Utilities	D	D	D	D	D	N/A	N/A
Information	3	3	4	4	5	2	66.67%
Finance and Insurance	15	16	16	16	17	2	13.33%
Real Estate, Rental, Leasing	14	15	14	15	16	2	14.29%
Professional and Tech. Servs.	13	14	13	12	13	0	0.00%
Mgmt. of Companies	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A
Admin. and Waste Services	7	6	8	10	11	4	57.14%
Educational Services	D	D	D	D	D	N/A	N/A
Health Care and Social Assistance	23	23	20	19	20	-3	-13.04%
Arts, Entertain., and Recreation	5	5	6	6	6	1	20.00%
Accommodation and Food Service	27	26	25	29	30	3	11.11%
Other Services	24	26	29	27	26	2	8.33%
<b>Federal, State, &amp; Local Govt.</b>	42	44	45	45	48	6	14.29%



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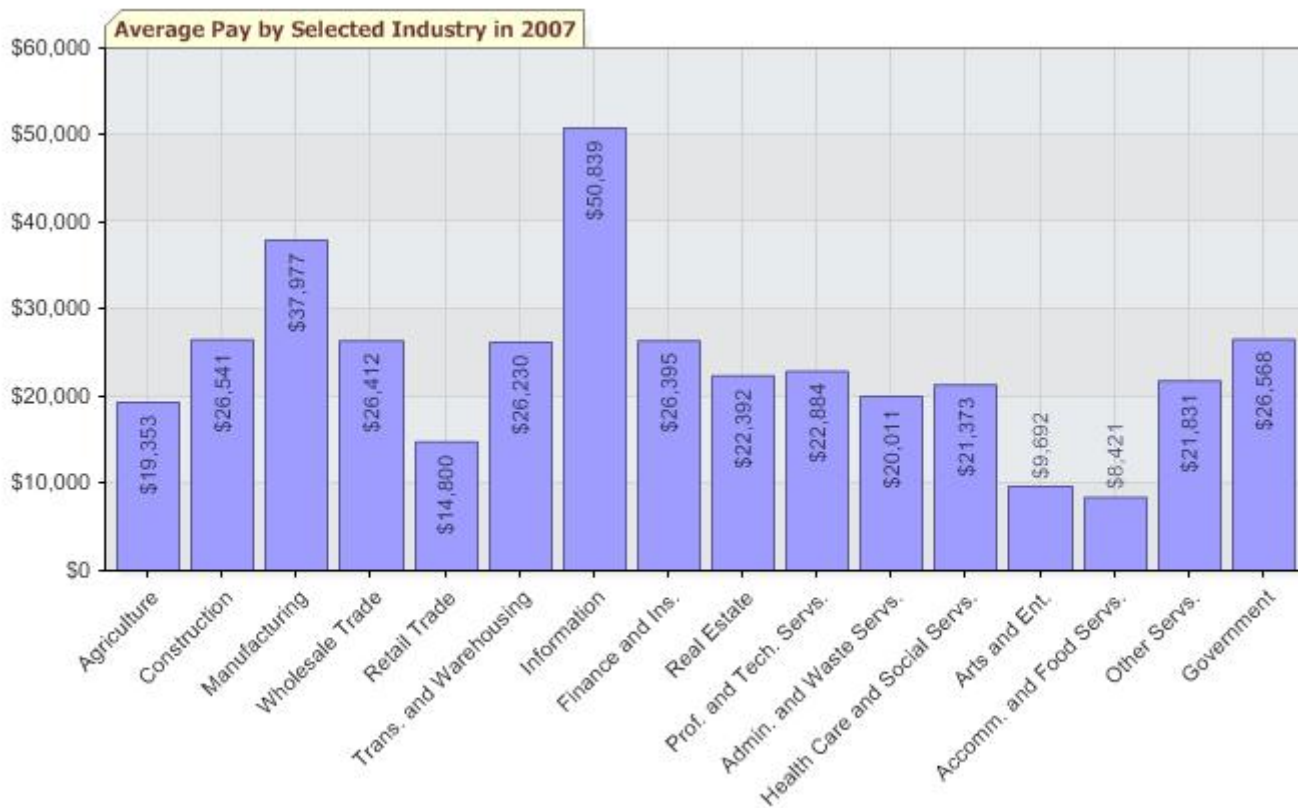
## Earnings and Income

Industry employment is tabulated as jobs by place-of-work. Keep in mind that people may hold multiple jobs and that each job is counted by its industry. Note: The income figures and changes are not adjusted for inflation.

### Average Annual Earnings by Industry

Change      % Change      Indiana      % of

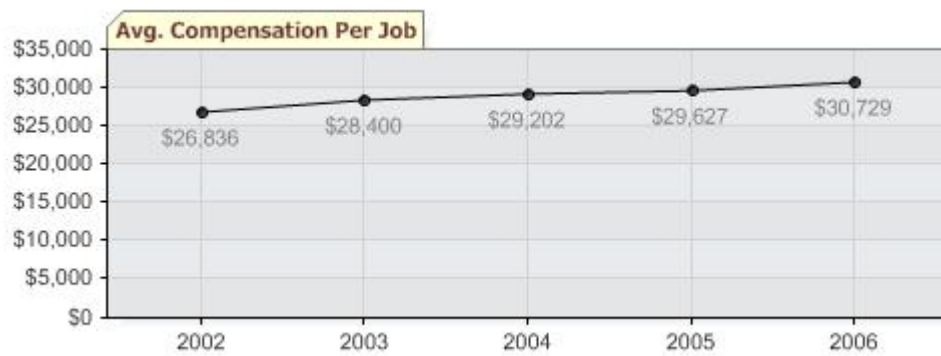
	2003	2007	2003-2007	2003-2007	2007	State
All Industries	\$21,720	\$25,100	\$3,381	15.6%	\$37,530	66.9%
Ag., For., Fishing, & Hunt.	\$21,533	\$19,353	-\$2,180	-10.1%	\$28,008	69.1%
Mining	D	D	N/A	N/A	\$57,315	N/A
Construction	\$23,370	\$26,541	\$3,171	13.6%	\$44,754	59.3%
Manufacturing	\$25,542	\$37,977	\$12,435	48.7%	\$51,148	74.2%
Wholesale Trade	\$17,316	\$26,412	\$9,096	52.5%	\$51,432	51.4%
Retail Trade	\$14,336	\$14,800	\$464	3.2%	\$22,581	65.5%
Trans. & Warehousing	\$20,425	\$26,230	\$5,804	28.4%	\$38,012	69.0%
Utilities	D	D	N/A	N/A	\$68,267	N/A
Information	\$56,569	\$50,839	-\$5,730	-10.1%	\$46,311	109.8%
Finance & Insurance	\$23,581	\$26,395	\$2,814	11.9%	\$52,649	50.1%
Real Est., Rent., Leasing	\$13,772	\$22,392	\$8,620	62.6%	\$32,614	68.7%
Prof. & Tech. Svcs.	\$16,835	\$22,884	\$6,049	35.9%	\$51,451	44.5%
Mgt.of Companies	0	0	N/A	N/A	\$72,682	N/A
Admin. & Waste Svcs.	\$20,890	\$20,011	-\$879	-4.2%	\$24,934	80.3%
Education Svcs.	D	D	N/A	N/A	\$31,029	N/A
Health Care & Social Assist.	\$21,105	\$21,373	\$268	1.3%	\$37,706	56.7%
Arts, Ent. & Rec.	\$8,374	\$9,692	\$1,318	15.7%	\$29,251	33.1%
Accom. & Food Svcs.	\$8,082	\$8,421	\$339	4.2%	\$12,442	67.7%
Other Svcs.	\$19,839	\$21,831	\$1,992	10.0%	\$24,862	87.8%
Fed.I, State & Local Govt.	\$24,341	\$26,568	\$2,226	9.1%	\$37,054	71.7%



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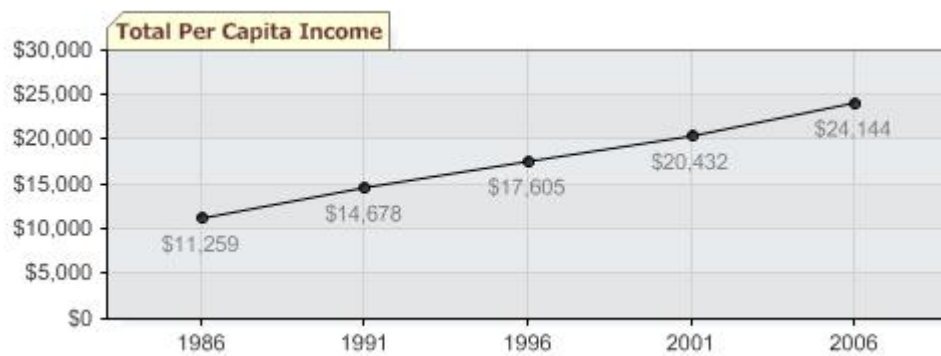
### Average Compensation Per Job Over Time

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
<b>Avg. Compensation per Job</b>	\$26,836	\$28,400	\$29,202	\$29,627	\$30,729
<b>Change Since 2002</b>		\$1,564	\$2,366	\$2,791	\$3,893
<b>Pct. Change Since 2002</b>		5.8%	8.8%	10.4%	14.5%



Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

Per Capita Income Over Time					
	1986	1991	1996	2001	2006
Total Per Capita Income	\$11,259	\$14,678	\$17,605	\$20,432	\$24,144
Change Since 1986		\$3,419	\$6,346	\$9,173	\$12,885
Pct. Change Since 1986		30.4%	56.4%	81.5%	114.4%



Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

Income & Wage	
	Number
Median family income in 2007 (ACS)	N/A
Median household income in 2007 (ACS)	N/A
Average Wage Per Job in 2007 (BLS)	\$25,105
Wage Growth since 1997 (BLS)	37.0%

Source: US Census Bureau & Bureau of Labor Statistics

# Firms and Employment by Size

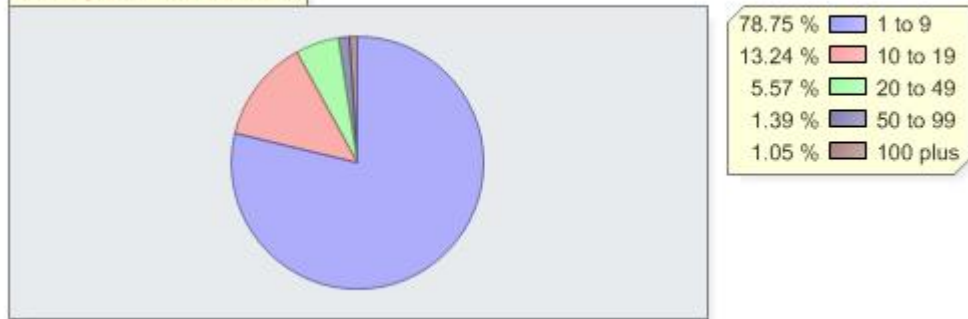
Firm data are available for most counties by the size of the firms and average employment by business unit size.

County Business Patterns, 2006				
	Establishments	Number Chg. 01 to 06	Pct.Chg. 01 to 06	Pct. of Total
1-9 employees	226	-19	-7.8%	78.7%
10-19 employees	38	1	2.7%	13.2%
20-49 employees	16	-1	-5.9%	5.6%



50-99 employees	4	-2	-33.3%	1.4%
100 plus employees	3	0	0.0%	1.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>-21</b>	<b>-6.8%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

County Business Patterns

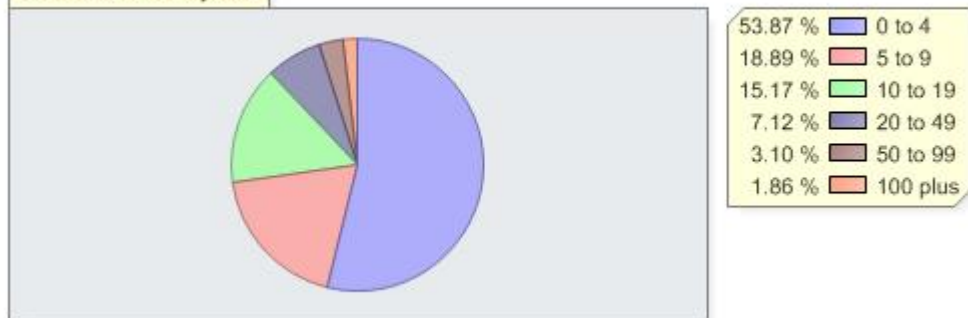


Source: U.S. Census Bureau

### Firms by Size, 2008:3

	Number of Business Units, 2008:2	Pct. of Total
0 to 4 employees	174	53.9%
5 to 9 employees	61	18.9%
10 to 19 employees	49	15.2%
20 to 49 employees	23	7.1%
50 to 99 employees	10	3.1%
100 plus employees	6	1.9%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

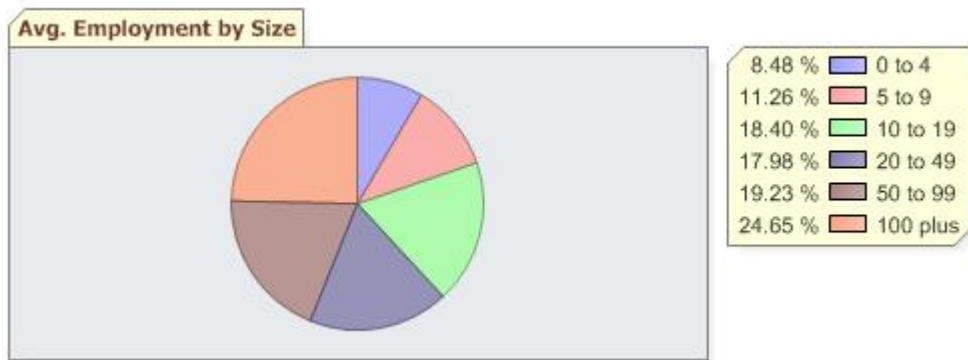
Business Units by Size



Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, Covered Employment; Note: Business Units with zero employees and Federal Government Employees are included.

### Avg. Employment by Business Unit Size, 2008:3

	Avg. Employment, 2008:2	Pct. of Total
0 to 4 employees	305	8.5%
5 to 9 employees	405	11.3%
10 to 19 employees	662	18.4%
20 to 49 employees	647	18.0%
50 to 99 employees	692	19.2%
100 plus employees	887	24.7%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,598</b>	<b>100.0%</b>



Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, Covered Employment; Note: Business Units with zero employees and Federal Government Employees are included.